Pay Commission should be constituted by 1st Jan, 2003, so that its report may come out by 1st Jan, 2006.

(b) if so, then why Government are not constituting Sixth Central Pay Commission on the plea that 50 percent D.A. has been merged with the Basic Pay of the Central Government Employees;

(c) whether it is a fact 50 percent D.A. merger was done as per the recommendation of the Fifth Pay Commission; and

(d) how much more time Government propose to take for the constitution of Sixth Pay Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government did not accept Fifth CPC recommendation regarding constitution of Sixth Pay Commission.

(c) Yes, Sir. It is also clarified that V CPC recommendation regarding merger of DA was accepted by the Government in a modified manner.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government at this juncture.

Merger of Mints and Paper Mills

626. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to merge mints, security Presses and paper mills into a Corporation to improve their productivity and financial performances;

(b) if so, by when the Corporation is likely to come into effect; and

(c) the details of the action plan *inter-alia* indicated the outlay involved in the process?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) No, Sir. The proposal is to corporatise all Security Presses, Mints and Security Paper Mill.

(b) and (c) The proposal for corporatisation of Security Printing Presses/ Currency Presses/Paper Mill/Mints was approved by the Union Cabinet on 2nd September, 2005. The decision to corporatise the Security Units is based on the need for better efficiency and faster decision making. The decision is to have a wholly owned Corporation without diluting any holding of the Government. The necessary steps are being taken to implement the decision of the Union Cabinet.

World Bank Assistance to Orissa

627. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that World Bank propose to sanction Rs. 1000 crores to the State Government of Orissa during the current fiscal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of developmental works that would be funded out of this assistance in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Manipulations in LIC Premiums

†628. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several incidents of manipulation in the premium of the people by the officials of LIC have been reported to Government recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the people involved in the said scam; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.